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SUBJECT: DEMILITARIZED STATUS OF BERLIN

REF: BERLIN 198

1. AT MARCH 20 TRIPARTITE MEETING BRITISH TABLED DRAFT PAPER ON IMPLICATIONS FOR DEMILITARIZED STATUS OF GREATER BERLIN AS ALLIED EMBASSIES ARE ESTABLISHED IN EAST BERLIN (REFTEL). US AND FRENCH REPS EXPRESSED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE PAPER, WITH THE FRENCH REQUESTING TIME FOR FURTHER STUDY BEFORE OFFERING DETAILED COMMENTS.

2. THE US REP SAID HE HAD RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE PAPER'S RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ALLIES NOT ACCEPT HONORS FROM THE EAST GERMAN ARMY INSIDE GREATER BERLIN, AND THAT ALLIED DIPLOMATS NOT ATTEND CLEARLY MILITARY PARADES IN EAST BERLIN. THE US REP QUESTIONED WHETHER IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE CATEGORICALLY TO PROHIBIT ACCEPT-
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ANCE OF MILITARY HONORS BY ALLIED OFFICIALS, NOTING THAT THIS COULD CONCEIVABLY CREATE DIFFICULTIES FOR ALLIED CHIEFS OF MISSION IN THEIR PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS. FURTHER, US REP SAID HE THOUGHT THE QUESTION OF ALLIED ATTENDANCE AT CLEARLY MILITARY PARADES IN EAST BERLIN WOULD BEST BE HANDLED ON A CASE- BY- CASE BASIS, WITH THE THREE EMBASSIES IN EAST BERLIN CONSULTING ON THEIR APPROACH TO EACH EVENT. US REP SAID THAT, IN ANY CASE, HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE INADVISABLE FOR THE ALLIES TO LAY DOWN HARD AND FAST GUIDELINES IN THIS AREA AT THIS POINT.

3. THE ALLIED REPS AGREED TO DEFER FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT UNTIL WE HAD VIEWS FROM CAPITALS.
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